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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Thomas a. Vendola

APPLICATION NO.: 10/057,171 ✓

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TITLE: Pharmaceutical Dosage Forms With Enhanced Cohesive and Compressibility Properties

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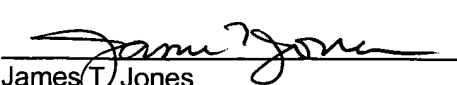
Sir:

By PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on July 18, 2002, and having an original period for response of 3 months, which was set to expire on October 18, 2002, be extended by 3 months, such that it expires on January 18, 2003.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$930.00 as provided for under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445. Two copies of this paper are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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